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In re application of

Gaku HARADA et al.

Serial No. 09/528,711

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Examiner C. Chaney

ELECTRODE USING IMPROVED ACTIVE
MATERIAL FOR BATTERY AND CAPACITOR

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of October 3, 2000, it is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be re-examined and reconsidered as provided in 37 CFR §1.112, and in the light of the remarks that follow.

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R E M A R K S

The only issue raised in the outstanding Official Action was the rejection of claims 1-6 and 11-14 under 35 USC §103(a), as allegedly being obvious based on the disclosure of KOBAYASHI et al., U.S. Patent No. 4,740,436. That rejection is respectfully traversed, for the following reasons.

The Official Action acknowledges that KOBAYASHI does not describe polybiphenylaniline, but contends that, when one of X and Y in formula (1) of KOBAYASHI is hydrogen and the other of X and Y is phenyl, the skilled artisan would understand applicants' electroactive material to be disclosed.